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**"AN ACT CONCERNING OPTIONAL MUNICIPAL VETERANS'  
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 10a-166 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

5 (a) Any child between the ages of sixteen and twenty-three,  
6 inclusive, of any person who served in the armed forces in time of war,  
7 as defined by subsection (a) of section 27-103, as amended, and who  
8 was killed in action or who died as a result of accident or illness  
9 sustained while performing active [military] duty with the armed  
10 forces of the United States or who has been rated totally and  
11 permanently disabled by the Veterans' Administration of the United  
12 States, or who is missing in action, [in Vietnam,] if (1) such person was  
13 a resident of this state at the time of his or her induction or

14 reenlistment, or (2) such person's active duty status was a result of the  
15 mobilization of a Connecticut National Guard unit, shall receive, upon  
16 application to and approval of such application therefor by the Board  
17 of Governors of Higher Education, state aid for tuition, matriculation  
18 fees, board, room rent, books and supplies for such child attending any  
19 of the following-named institutions approved by said board: An  
20 educational or training institution of [college grade or any other  
21 institution of higher learning or commercial training, a state college]  
22 the constituent units of the state system of higher education, including  
23 the regional community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State  
24 University system and The University of Connecticut, a vocational  
25 school or technical institute or any accredited military preparatory  
26 school if such beneficiary is preparing to enter the United States  
27 Military Academy at West Point, the United States Naval Academy at  
28 Annapolis, the United States Coast Guard Academy at New London or  
29 the United States Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs. The  
30 application submitted to the Board of Governors of Higher Education  
31 shall include an affidavit signed by the applicant which states that the  
32 applicant has not applied for and will not apply for or receive state aid  
33 from another state which is similar to that provided for in this section.  
34 Such grant may be used for the matriculation fees of any such  
35 beneficiary at any of said United States government academies. Such  
36 aid shall be based on need and shall not exceed [four hundred] one  
37 thousand dollars per year for each beneficiary and shall be paid to  
38 such institution on vouchers approved by the Board of Governors of  
39 Higher Education.

40 (b) To be eligible for a grant under this section, a child of a person  
41 missing in action [in Vietnam must] shall apply for such aid while his  
42 or her serviceman parent is still missing in action. Once the application  
43 of such child has been approved, the return of the parent of such child  
44 shall not result in the termination of such aid."